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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA - LOS ANGELES DIVISION		
In re:	CASE NO.: 2:17-bk-19548-NB	
LAYFIELD & BARRETT, APC,	CHAPTER: 11	
	CHAPTER 11 STATUS CONFERENCE REPORT (INITIAL)	
	Case Status Conference	
	DATE: September 19, 2017	
	TIME: 1:00 p.m. COURTROOM: 1545	
Debtor(s).		

INSTRUCTIONS TO THE DEBTOR(S)

- (1) **Keep your answers brief but informative** (use continuation sheets if necessary, numbered to match the items in this report).
- (2) **Do not use this form** (a) for later status reports, which should include only short updates, or (b) if the judge presiding over this case requires the use of a different procedure.
- (3) You must file and serve this report at least 14 days before the status conference listed above. Serve it on the Office of the United States Trustee and on any parties requesting special notice, or as otherwise directed by the court.
- (4) Failure to follow these instructions may result in dismissal of this case or other sanctions without further notice.

Definitions: "Section" ("§") refers to a section of the Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code (11 U.S.C.); a "Rule" means one of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure; "LBR" means the Local Bankruptcy Rules; and other terms have the meanings provided in the Bankruptcy Code, the Rules, and the LBR.



A.	. OVERVIEW		
1.	Bankruptcy Petition	Date filed: <u>08</u> / <u>03</u> / 20 <u>17</u>	
2.	Background and Exit Strategy (discuss all below) a. The Debtor's business/employment; b. principal assets/ liabilities (including possible avoidance actions, environmental liabilities, etc.); c. what caused the bankruptcy; d. exit strategy (for resolving the principal financial and legal issues); and e. progress made toward consensual resolution of any disputed issues. Example: "the Debtor owns a four-unit apartment building worth approx. \$, 1st deed of trust approx. \$, 2nd deed of	Explain: The Debtor is a personal injury and business litigation law firm that is not continuing to operate. The Debtor's principal assets consist primarily of attorneys' fees incurred in pending and/or settled litigation matters. An involuntary Chapter 7 was commenced on August 3, 2017. The Debtor filed a motion to convert the case to Chapter 11 on August 8, 2017, which was granted on August 11, 2017. The Court ordered the appointment of a chapter 11 trustee on August 21, 2017. The Trustee's first priority is making sure the clients of the Firm have their cases transferred expeditiously to other law firms for	
	trust approx. \$, 2nd deed of trust approx. \$ The Debtor lives in one unit and is employed as building manager. Two tenants stopped paying rent. Debtor plans to complete evictions, obtain paying tenants, and strip off second deed of trust."	representation. Given the Trustee's recent appointment, he and his professionals are in the beginning stages of investigating the Debtor's assets, liabilities and prior business operations. See attached continuation page(s).	
3.	Petition Document Compliance a. Has the Debtor filed all bankruptcy schedules, the Statement of Financial Affairs ("SOFA"), and all other documents required by 11 U.S.C. § 521, Rule 1007, and LBR 1007-1 (e.g., any tax returns required by 11 U.S.C. § 521 (f), with social security numbers, names of minor children, and other sensitive information blacked out per 11 U.S.C. § 107, § 112, or Rule 9018?); and b. has the Debtor complied with all applicable guidelines established by the U.S. Trustee? ✓ Yes	 No (explain): The Debtor has indicated that it is currently preparing its schedules and statements. □ See attached continuation page(s). 	



В.	. COMMON "FIRST DAY" MATTERS	
1.	Cash Collateral Use (11 U.S.C. § 363(c)) a. Did the Debtor file a stipulation/motion for use of cash collateral (see local form F 2081-2.1.MOTION.CASH.COLLATERAL) with local form F 4001-2.STMT.FINANCE? ☐ Yes b. Did the court approve the requested use of cash collateral? ☐ Yes (see Order at docket no).	No, other reason (explain): Advocate Capital has not consented to use of its cash collateral. The Trustee is working to compile a budget and intends to negotiate use of cash collateral. To date, no funds have been turned over to the Trustee.
	No, there is no cash that any entity can claim as its cash collateral.	See attached continuation page(s).
2.	Budget motion Has the Debtor filed a budget motion? See Local Form F 2081-2.2.MOTION.BUDGET. Yes	No, other reason (<i>explain</i>): The Debtor is not an individual.
	No, not required by the presiding judge's procedures	See attached continuation page(s).
3.	Insider compensation and transfers Has the Debtor paid any compensation or made any other transfers after this case was filed to or for the benefit of: (1) Any insider, (2) Any owner, partner, officer, director or shareholder of the Debtor, or (3) Any relative of an insider (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(31)) except as permitted per LBR 2014-1 and Form USTLA-12? ▶ No	☐ Yes (<i>explain</i>):☐ See attached continuation page(s).
4.	Automatic stay (11 U.S.C. § 362(c)(3)&(4)) Is the Debtor an individual who has had one or more bankruptcy cases dismissed within 1 year before this case was filed?	Other (explain):
	No; or Yes, and, for one qualifying dismissal, the Debtor will have "completed" a hearing to continue the automatic stay within 30 days after this case was filed under § 362(c)(3); or Yes, and, for two or more qualifying dismissals, the Debtor will have filed a motion to impose the stay within 30 days after this case was filed, under § 362(c)(4). See LBR 4001-2(e), and Local Form F 4001-1.IMPOSE.STAY.MOTION.	☐ See attached continuation page(s).

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В.	COMMON "FIRST DAY" MATTERS	
5.	Utilities (11 U.S.C. § 366) (see Local Form F 2081-2.4.MOTION.UTILITIES) Was a utility motion: (1) Filed within 20 days after this case was filed and (2) Set for hearing within 30 days after this case was filed? Yes	☐ No, other reason <i>(explain):</i>
	No, the Trustee has determined that no utility motion is needed	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
C.	LIEN AVOIDANCE Check here and sk any lien avoidance.	ip this section if the Debtor does NOT contemplate
1.	"Lien Stripping" Does the Debtor intend to avoid any unsecured or under-secured liens under 11 U.S.C. § 506 (including motions per <i>In re Lam</i> , 211 B.R. 36 (9 th Cir. BAP 1997)(" <i>Lam</i> motions"))?	Yes (explain): See attached continuation page(s).
2.	Judicial Liens (see Local Form F 4003-2.1.AVOID.LIEN.RP.MOTION and 4003-2.2.AVOID.LIEN.PP.MOTION) Does the Debtor intend to avoid any judicial liens under 11 U.S.C. § 522(f)? No	☐ Yes (explain): ☐ See attached continuation page(s). ☐ See attached continuation page(s).
D.	PROFESSIONALS (see Local Forms F 2014 disinterestedness), F 2081-2.5.MOTION.EMPLO	

F 2081-2.5.MOTION.EMPLOY.OTHER)

Professional's Name	Employment App. Filed	Employment Approved	Type of Employment
Stella Havkin	08/17/17	Pending	11 U.S.C. § 327 Debtor's counsel, for the period of time from the Petition Date to the date of appointment of the Chapter 11 Trustee, (08/21/17)
Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP	08/29/17	Pending	11 U.S.C. § 330 - Counsel to the Chapter 11 Trustee

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D. PROFESSIONALS (see Local Forms F 2014-1.STMT.DISTINTEREST.PROF (statement of disinterestedness), F 2081-2.5.MOTION.EMPLOY.GEN.COUNSEL, and F 2081-2.5.MOTION.EMPLOY.OTHER)			
Professional's Name	Employment App. Filed	Employment Approved	Type of Employment
☐ See attached contin	uation page(s)		
EXAMPLES: John Doe, Esq.	1/1/2050	1/7/2050	11 U.S.C § 327(a) general bankruptcy counsel
Jane Roe et al., LLP	1/4/2050 to UST, app. to be filed		11 U.S.C. §§ 327(e) & 328(a) (special counsel, contingent fee, contract dispute)
Richard Poe, Accountant	1/3/2050	Pending	11 U.S.C. § 327(a) (accountant)
E. PROPOSED DE	ADLINES / PROCEDUR	RES	
	ng deadline ss the deadline to serve a e status conference.	Proposed claims filing ba	r date: <u>12 / 18 / 17</u>
Plan of reorganization (or liquidation) The court will address plan-related procedures at the status conference. Debtor should be		Proposed deadline to file a proposed plan and disclosure statement://	
prepared to discuss time estimates for filing a proposed plan and disclosure statement.		The Trustee has not had opinion on this at this time	an opportunity to form an e.
3. Special Plan Procedures Does the Debtor propose special procedures in connection with any plan or disclosure statement, such as a combined hearing on final		☐ Yes (<i>explain</i>):	

☐ See attached continuation page(s).

approval of the disclosure statement and confirmation of the plan (11 U.S.C

§ 105(d)(2)(B)(vi))?

⊠ No

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NOTE TO THE DEBTOR: YOU MUST ANSWER ALL APPLICABLE QUESTIONS ON THE ATTACHED PAGES, which deal with very important but less common issues in Chapter 11 cases, such as more "first day" matters, and cases that might be "single asset real estate" cases, or involve "small businesses," or "health care businesses".

Date: September 5, 2017	Respectfully submitted,
	/s/Malhar S. Pagay Signature of: (1) Debtor's Attorney or (2) Debtor(s)
	Attorneys for Richard M. Pachulski, Chapter 11 Trustee Printed name

PART II: ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

INSTRUCTIONS: The following matters may not apply in every case, but are very important if they apply to your case. **You must complete every section.**

A. LEASES AND CONTRACTS Check here and skip this section if the Debtor is NOT a party to any unexpired leases or unexpired ("executory") contracts (e.g., if the Debtor is a landlord or a tenant).			
NOTE : This Status Report is a statement of the Debt (if one is required).	or's present intention. It is <u>not</u> equivalent to a motion		
1. Lease or contract (describe):	Intention: ☐ Reject ☐ Assume ☐ Assume and assign (per 11 U.S.C. § 365) ☑ Other (explain): Given the Trustee's recent appointment, he and his professionals are in the beginning stages of investigating the Debtor's assets, liabilities and prior business operations. As such, the Trustee has not yet determined whether the Debtor is a party to any unexpired leases or executory contracts.		
See attached continuation page(s).	See attached continuation page(s).		
2. Lease or contract (describe):	Intention: Reject Assume Assume and assign (per 11 U.S.C. § 365) Other (explain):		
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The Trustee does not yet have copies of all leases and contracts. The Debtor has not turned over physical inventory/records at this time.

B.	B. ADDITIONAL "FIRST DAY" MATTERS ☑ Check here and skip this section if there are NO "first day" matters (caution: double-check the types of motions listed below and read LBR 2081-1).	
1.	Immediate Payment of Payroll Does the Debtor need to pay prepetition payroll/benefits (see Local Form F 2081-2.3.MOTION.PAYROLL)?	☐ Yes (<i>explain</i>):
	 No, the Debtor does not have employees/qualified independent contractors; or No, the Debtor's workers were paid in full in cash at the time this case was filed. 	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
2.	Debtor-in-Possession (DIP) Financing Does the Debtor contemplate seeking post- petition financing (11 U.S.C. § 364)?	☐ Yes (<i>explain</i>):
	⊠ No	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
3.	Bank Accounts and Cash Management Is the Debtor seeking authority to maintain prepetition bank accounts, or approval of any other cash management system?	☐ Yes (<i>explain</i>):
	⊠ No	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
4.	Extension to File Petition Documents Will the Debtor seek more time to file bankruptcy schedules ("Schedules") or Statement of Financial Affairs ("SOFA")?	∑ Yes (explain): The Chapter 11 Trustee will seek a 90-day extension to file schedules and statements
	☐ No (not necessary)	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
5.	Special Noticing procedures Will the Debtor seek to limit notice (or establish special noticing procedures)?	☐ Yes (<i>explain</i>):
	No No	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
6.	Customer Deposits Will the Debtor seek authority to honor customer deposits/obligations?	☐ Yes (<i>explain</i>):
	⊠ No	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
7.	Reclamation Claims Will the Debtor seek procedures for handling reclamation claims (including claims under 11 U.S.C. §§ 503(b)(9) & 546(c))?	☐ Yes (<i>explain</i>):
	⊠ No	See attached continuation page(s).

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16.	Does the Debtor contemplate any other "first day" motions (whether or not listed in LBR 2081-1) - e.g., a "critical vendor" motion?	☐ Yes (<i>explain</i>):
	⊠ No	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
C.	C. CONSUMERS' CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION ☐ Check here and skip this section if (a) the Debtor does NOT have possession, custody, or control of consumers' confidential information (e.g., "personally identifiable information" per 11 U.S.C. § 101(41 A)) and (b) that cannot be reasonably disputed (if it could be disputed, explain below).	
1.	Privacy Ombudsman Appointment Should a "consumer privacy ombudsman" be appointed (11 U.S.C. § 332)?	☐ No (explain):
	☐ Yes	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
2.	Costs of Record Maintenance or Destruction How will the Debtor arrange and pay for the maintenance transfer or destruction of	☐ Explain:
	maintenance, transfer, or destruction of consumers' confidential information?	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
D.	D. SINGLE ASSET REAL ESTATE ("SARE") CASE ☑ Check here and skip this section if (a) this is NOT a "single asset real estate" case (11 U.S.C. § 101(51B)) and (b) that cannot be reasonably disputed (if it could be disputed, explain below).	
1.	Interest Payments to Secured Creditor(s) Has the Debtor commenced paying postpetition interest to secured creditor(s), at the non-default interest rate, on the value of their interest in the real estate? Yes	□ Explain:
	No, but the Debtor will do so within 90 days after the commencement of this case.	☐ See attached continuation page(s).
2.	Plan Filing Has the Debtor filed "a plan of reorganization that has a reasonable possibility of being confirmed within a reasonable time" within the meaning of 11 U.S.C. § 362(d)(3)? ☐ Yes	☐ Explain:
	No, but the Debtor will do so within 90 days after the commencement of this case.	☐ See attached continuation page(s).



E.	E. SMALL BUSINESS ☐ Check here and skip this section if (a) the Debtor is NOT a "small business debtor" (11 U.S.C. § 101(51D)) and (b) that cannot be reasonably disputed (if it could be disputed, explain below).		
1.	Small Business Duty Compliance Has the Debtor complied with all the duties in 11 U.S.C. § 1116 (including but not limited to maintaining adequate insurance and filing its most recent balance sheet, statement of operations, cash-flow statement, and Federal income tax return)?	□ No (<i>explain</i>):	
	Yes	See attached continuation page(s).	
2.	United States Trustee Inspection Has the United States Trustee inspected the Debtor's books, records and business premises	☐ No (<i>explain</i>):	
	(per 11 U.S.C. § 1116(7))? ☐ Yes	☐ See attached continuation page(s).	
3.	United States Trustee Interview Has the Debtor completed the "initial debtor interview" with the United States Trustee (28 U.S.C. § 586(a)(7))?	□ No (explain):	
	☐ Yes	See attached continuation page(s).	
4.	Report Scheduling What schedule does the Debtor propose for filing the "periodic financial and other reports" required by 11 U.S.C. § 308 (e.g., monthly with MORs)?	☐ Monthly ☐ Other (<i>explain</i>):	
		See attached continuation page(s).	
5.	Automatic Stay Is the automatic stay applicable? See 11 U.S.C. § 362(n)(1) (which might eliminate the automatic stay if the Debtor was previously a small business debtor, or acquired substantially all of the assets or business of a small business debtor)? Yes, the automatic stay applies.	□ No (explain):	
	No, the automatic stay does not apply, but the Debtor will seek relief under 11 U.S.C. § 362(n)(2).	☐ See attached continuation page(s).	

F.	F. HEALTH CARE BUSINESS ⊠ Check here and skip this section if (a) the Debtor is NOT a "health care business" (11 U.S.C. § 101(27A)) and (b) that cannot be reasonably disputed (if it could be disputed, explain below).		
1.	Patient Care Ombudsman Is appointment of a patient care ombudsman required (11 U.S.C. § 333)? ☐ No	☐ Yes (<i>explain</i>):	
		☐ See attached continuation page(s).	
2.	Costs of Patient Care or Transfer How will the Debtor arrange and pay for proper care or transfer of any patients, in the event that the Debtor's health care business is closed	☐ Explain:	
	(see 11 U.S.C. § 704(a)(12), incorporated by 11 U.S.C. § 1106(a)(1))?	☐ See attached continuation page(s).	
G.	EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS Check I benefit plan (per 11 U.S.C. § 704(a)(11), incorpor	nere and skip this section if there is NO employee ated by 11 U.S.C. § 1106(a)(1))?	
1.	Debtor's Plan Duties Was the Debtor, or any entity designated by the Debtor, an "administrator" of such a plan as of the commencement of this case?	∑ Yes (explain): Unknown at this time. The Trustee is investigating. ☐ 2.	
		See attached continuation page(s).	
2.	Plan Administration What steps will the Debtor take to continue to administer such plan (11 U.S.C. §§ 521(a)(7), 704(a)(11), 1106(a)(1))?	⊠ Explain: See Part I, Section E.2, above.	
		☐ See attached continuation page(s).	

PROOF OF SERVICE OF DOCUMENT

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding. My business address is: 10100 Santa Monica Boulevard, 13th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90067

A true and correct copy of the foregoing document entitled (*specify*): **LIQUIDATING CHAPTER 11 TRUSTEE BOND** will be served or was served (a) on the judge in chambers in the form and manner required by LBR 5005-2(d); and (b) in the manner stated below:

1. TO BE SERVED BY THE COURT VIA NOTICE OF ELECTRONIC FILING (NEF): Pursuant to controlling General

Orders and LBR, the foregoing document will be served by the court via NEF and hyperlink to the document. On (date) September 5, 2017, I checked the CM/ECF docket for this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding and determined that the following persons are on the Electronic Mail Notice List to receive NEF transmission at the email addresses stated below: Service information continued on attached page 2. SERVED BY UNITED STATES MAIL: , I served the following persons and/or entities at the last known addresses in this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding by placing a true and correct copy thereof in a sealed envelope in the United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that mailing to the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the document is filed. Service information continued on attached page 3. SERVED BY PERSONAL DELIVERY, OVERNIGHT MAIL, FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION OR EMAIL (state method for each person or entity served): Pursuant to F.R.Civ.P. 5 and/or controlling LBR, on (date) September 5, 2017, I served the following persons and/or entities by personal delivery, overnight mail service, or (for those who consented in writing to such service method), by facsimile transmission and/or email as follows. Listing the judge here constitutes a declaration that personal delivery on, or overnight mail to, the judge will be completed no later than 24 hours after the document is filed. **VIA PERSONAL DELIVERY** Honorable Neil W. Bason U.S. Bankruptcy Court 255 E. Temple Street, Room 940 Los Angeles, CA 90012 Attn: Mail Room Clerk-Judge's Courtesy Copies ☐ Service information continued on attached page I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the foregoing is true and correct. September 5, 2017 Sophia L. Lee /s/ Sophia L. Lee Date Printed Name Signature

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